



Wisconsin's Collaborative  
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**Preserving Early  
Childhood (PEC)**

## Preserving Early Childhood 2019 Developmentally Appropriate Learning: Play is the Way!

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### Kindergarten: Where Play and Learning Can Meet

What can kindergarteners gain from play-based learning? This documentary explores the advantages associated with a play-based approach in kindergarten and features stories of how two Illinois school districts- Valley View School District 365U and Elgin Area School District U-46- made the transition to play-based learning. The documentary also includes scientific findings about the cognitive and social-emotional benefits of play from experts Dr. Roberta Golinkoff (University of Delaware), Dr. Christina Weiland (University of Michigan), and Dr. Eboni Howard (American Institutes for Research).

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Join colleagues in viewing the documentary and engage in a facilitated discussion about the documentary and how information learned can support Wisconsin's youngest learners.